

## THE HOWS AND WHYS OF GRAIN SHIPPING

John A. Whitehurst, President of State Board of Agriculture, prepares Handbook.

### HOW WHEAT MAY BE SOLD

Questionnaire Compiled by Secretary of Federal Grain Corporation to Be of Great Use to Farmers.

*Special to The World.*

OKLAHOMA CITY, June 26.—In order to be able to afford the farmers wheat, grocers and bakers of wheat in Oklahoma definite information regarding the attitude of the federal grain corporation on several phases of wheat marketing and transportation about which there has been a great deal of conflicting opinion expressed. John A. Whitehurst, president of the state board of agriculture, has secured from Washington a memorandum of the corporation, answers to a series of questions prepared by the state board.

One of the most important phases of the wheat marketing problem has been the question which elevators would be permitted to charge growers for the handling of their crop. It had been reported that a fee of eight cents a bushel would be submitted and this brought unanimous objection from the growers, many of whom were so angry over it that when two cents a bushel is left the wheat through the elevators and believed the eight cents' charge beyond the range of reason. On this phase of the question Secretary Monroe informed the board that "a producer may complain to the grain corporation vice-president at Kansas City, for the Oklahoma zone, if in the producer's judgment an unfair charge is being made." The appeal and if the vice-president's decision is unsatisfactory appeal may be taken to Julius H. Barnes, chairman of the corporation, 42 Broadway, New York City.

Following are the questions referred by President Whitehurst and the replies furnished by Secretary Monroe:

Is it necessary to have a federal license to buy grain and where can such license be secured? It is necessary and application for license can be made to D. F. Piazza, grain corporation, Elmhurst building, Kansas City.

Does a farmer, shipping his own grain, or a community of farmers shipping their own grain have to procure a license before they can ship? No.

Is there any movement on the part of the grain corporation to prevent farmers having cars and loading and shipping their own products? No.

Can a grain dealer, who is ordinarily known as a "second shovel dealer," own an elevator, but buys and sells on track, procure a license to buy grain? A "second shovel dealer" who owns no elevator but buys and sells on track must procure a license to buy grain.

Will the cars of grain for interstate shipment be graded by federal grain inspectors before reaching destination? The federal grain supervisor obtains at terminal points but country buyers are expected to buy on the basis of the federal standards.

Will there be any premium on certain grades of dark turkey wheat over ordinary grades? The grain corporation pays two cents premium over guaranteed basis for dark turkey wheat.

Will dealers who maintain portable elevators be permitted to buy and sell grain? Portable elevator owners may procure license to deal in grain.

At stations and sidetracks where there are no elevators what procedure will be necessary to facilitate shipping from these points? Shipments from stations where there are no elevators will have to be made in usual way as government makes no provision for buying beyond terminals.

Can a man procure license under one name, firm or corporation to buy at a number of designated places? A man may procure a license under one name but buy at a number of designated places and must be prepared to give his license at all places where he does business.

What margin of profit is to be allowed elevators and elevator men? Country elevators and dealers are allowed a reasonable margin of profit.

**Strike Broken.**

NEW YORK, June 26.—The backbone of the market transportation and chauffeur strike, which disrupted fresh fruits and vegetables since last Monday, was effectively broken today. By tomorrow produce dealers declared to-night, normal conditions would prevail.

A Pennsylvanian has invented a lawn mower with corrugated blades that are intended to hold and cut tough blades of grass that would slip through slanting blades.

## Give That These May Live



## INDIAN LAND SALE SET FOR JULY 17

Fifteen Hundred Acres in Four Oklahoma Counties to Be Sold to Highest Bidders.

### SOME OIL AND GAS LANDS

Sales Will Begin at Claremore July 17 and End at Siloam July 26  
—Subject to Leases.

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M. ALBERTER, Tulsa, June 26.—The second 1919 Indian land sale will be held here on July 17 in the room of the Claremore hotel, and the 15½ acres of land in Pittsburg, Latimer, Atoka and Coal counties will be auctioned off this amount being the total acreage in this country.

The total number of acres to be sold this summer over the 37 counties formerly occupied by the five civilized tribes is 15,182.

The land to be offered at this sale throughout Oklahoma contains some suited for agricultural purposes others with oil and gas properties and still others of mineral interest.

On one will appear land that

consumed water should be pure to start with. If it is polluted from a well it should be of sufficient depth to insure against surface water and on an elevation which will guarantee free drainage of any sort. In case of a useful summer rainfall those who were interested in upholstering have gotten their water from wells 300 feet below the surface and yet Tulsa is drinking water contaminated at feet.

The property offered will be sold subject to any existing valid leases on the premises, according to George Nelson, acting field clerk here. Information as to the character of the land and improvements is not guaranteed to prospective purchasers. The information given is secured in connection with the appraisal of the land offered and is converted directly without reservations as to oil, gas or other mineral rights, unless specified.

Written bids may be sent to the field clerk at the place where piece of property is to be sold. This bid must contain 10 per cent of the amount of the bid. Deposits of bids rejected will be returned immediately, according to the rules and regulations will be opened until the close of the sale.

The sale will be conducted at the courthouse in the city of Claremore. The bid price and special distinguishing point of the five civilized tribes. The remainder of the consideration of the sale must be paid within 10 days.

Circumstances containing all information of the sale may be obtained at the field clerk's office on the third floor of the federal building.

#### Largest Offering.

The largest piece of property that will be auctioned here is 250 acres belonging to Jimmie Ball, one and one-third miles from Blakely, this county. It has been appraised at \$12.20 per acre. It is divided up into 49 acres of smooth land, 129 acres of rolling land, tree and rocks, remainder rocky and rocky. The soil is partly chocolate sandy loam and partly sandy and rocky.

Charles Walker, six miles from Canadian, owns two tracts of 40 and 80 acres that will be sold. Six acres of the 80-acre tract are tillable, all grass land. The soil is rocky and gravelly. It is appraised at \$3.50 an acre.

**Tracts Average 55 Acres.**

The tracts range in size from 10 acres to 20. The average is 55 acres. The character of the soil is sandy loam, gray, rocky, gravelly land and bluish soil. The majority of the tracts

possess moderate amounts of rock land. The Latimer county offerings consist mainly of gray, sandy loam and rocky soil, while the Atoka and Coal county tracts are of dark sandy soil.

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**Frank Carter, state auditor, has**

**returned from Chicago, where he**

**went to attend the national tax conference.**

**The attorney general's department has been directed by Governor**

**McClure to prosecute the**

**taxes of the oil companies.**

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